

GSI-191, "ASSESSMENT OF DEBRIS ACCUMULATION ON PWR SUMP PERFORMANCE"

STATUS OF NRC REGULATORY ACTIVITIES

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ECCS Action Plan

- ■GSI-191 Resolution Part IV of NRR Action Plan
 - ► PART I: BWR ECCS SUCTION STRAINER CLOGGING ISSUE
 - ► PART II: NPSH EVALUATIONS
 - ► PART III: CONTAINMENT COATINGS
- Staff Efforts on Other Parts Complete; results feed into GSI-191 Resolution



Resolution Process for GSI-191

- Will be industry-led and NRC-monitored
- Frequent Meetings and Coordination with PWR Sump Performance Taskforce
- Parallels the Approach to Resolve BWR Strainer Issues
 - ▶ Bulletin 2003-01 for Interim Measures to reduce risk
 - ► Generic Letter Planned to Address Plant Specific Evaluation



Interactions with NEI PWR Sump Performance Task Force

- Monitored and Commented on NEI 02-01, Condition Assessment Guidelines: Debris Sources Inside PWR Containments
 - ► Knowledge gained during assessments reduces implementation delays
 - ► Confirms Configuration and Condition
- Participate in Development of Industry Evaluation Guidelines
 - ► Pre-review of selected topics
 - ► Allows reduced NRC review schedule
 - ▶ Plan to Consider viability of Fracture Mechanics approach pending additional information



GSI-191 Resolution Activities

- ■NRC plans to issue a Safety Evaluation Report on the Evaluation Methodology
 - ► 6 month expedited review (August 2004)
 - ► Similar to BWRs, NRC will evaluate earlier implementations if requested
 - BWR licensees implementing before approval treated conservatively
- ■NRC plans to use sample audits to perform detailed verification of licensees' sump-clogging evaluations
- Standard Review Plan Revision following SER/TER
- Downstream blockage issues to be considered during GSI-191 Resolution



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